

Not only did Bishop Morrison have an influence in the classroom but also on his faith and community. For thirty-six years, he served as the Pastor and Founder of Emmanuel Temple Church of God in Christ, as well as its superintendent, and the first Administrative Assistant.

Bishop Morrison lived a life that we all strive for. He loved his faith, his family, and his community. His impact and devotion to his faith has surely inspired many and will always be missed. My family and I send our thoughts and prayers to his wife, Clementine, to their children, Juan, Daryl, and Cheryl, and many grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and nieces and nephews. May Bishop Morrison rest in peace.

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MIKE LITZAU

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**HON. ED PERLMUTTER**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, May 11, 2022*

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mike Litzau for receiving the 2021 Pioneer Award from the Arvada Chamber of Commerce. The Pioneer Award is given to an exceptional leader in the community who has served Arvada for many years and contributed in unprecedented ways. This award is only given as needed and is regarded with the highest level of accolades for the recipient's accomplishments.

This year's winner, Mike Litzau, is very well-deserving of this recognition for his many community efforts and volunteer service throughout the years. Mike served on the Arvada Chamber Board of Directors and currently sits on the Advocacy KAPS Council and Legacy Board. He was also recognized by the Chamber in 2018 with a "Behind the Scenes" Award and in 2014 as "Man of Year". Mike served on the Arvada Economic Development Association Board of Directors for 21 years, including four years as President was awarded for his distinguished service in 2014.

In addition, Mike served on the Arvada Community Food Bank (Community Table) Board of Directors for 12 years, including as President for six years. There he coordinated a capital campaign to renovate a former library building for the food bank in 2009. Mike has been a member of the Arvada Sunrise Rotary Club for 12 years, serving in leadership positions as the Treasurer for nine years and currently serves as President. Mike also serves on the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth Board, the Arvada Vitality Alliance Board, and the SCU Community Foundation Board. He has also coordinated an Arvada Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) site for over ten years.

Mike has been quite the force for good in the Arvada community and has made a difference in the community as a whole with his positive attitude and smile for everyone he meets. Congratulations again to Mike Litzau for this recognition from the Arvada Chamber of Commerce. I extend my deepest appreciation for his contributions to our community.

HONORING THE RETIREMENT OF  
CHIEF RUSS SANDERS

**HON. JOHN A. YARMUTH**

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, May 11, 2022*

Mr. YARMUTH. Madam Speaker, I rise today in honor of Russ Sanders, former Fire Chief of my hometown of Louisville, Kentucky, and one of the American fire service's most respected and dedicated leaders.

Russ has long been an advocate for firefighter safety and health, serving as a leader in the fire service locally, nationally, and internationally for more than 50 years.

He retired in January from the National Fire Protection Agency (NFPA), where he served as a regional and international director for many years. Chief Sanders has also served as the Executive Director of the Metropolitan Fire Chiefs Association and as the leader of the NFPA's Urban Fire Forum. Before that, he served for nearly 30 years in the Louisville, KY Fire Department, his last nine years as Chief of the Department.

Sanders obtained his Bachelor of Arts Degree, a Master of Education Degree, and a Master of Science Degree—all from the University of Louisville. Russ is also a graduate of the National Fire Academy's Executive Fire Officer Program and Harvard University's Senior Executive in State and Local Government Program.

Russ has dedicated his life to the advocacy of the fire service in the United States, tackling issues from firefighter health and safety to the development of fire and life safety standards, codes, and policies designed to protect the public. He also served as a subject matter expert on several major fire research studies conducted by the National Institute of Standards and Technology.

Chief Sanders is admired and respected by his peers in the United States and Internationally. In 2019, the Congressional Fire Services Institute (CFSI) acknowledged his contributions to the U.S. fire service by recognizing him as the recipient of the CFSI's Annual Mason Lankford Fire Service Leadership Award for his exemplary leadership.

Russ' dedication to making the fire service stronger, more effective, and safer has directly touched the lives of every firefighter in this country—and the American people are safer today because of his efforts. Madam Speaker, it is my privilege and honor to recognize Chief Russ Sanders for his leadership and years of service to my city, to our nation, and to his fellow firefighters.

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RECOGNIZING RICHARD AND  
DIANE WOJTOWICZ

**HON. BRIAN HIGGINS**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, May 11, 2022*

Mr. HIGGINS of New York. Madam Speaker, today I rise to honor the service of Richard and Diane Wojtowicz to their community of Williamsville, NY. Members of the Williamsville community for almost 50 years, the Wojtowicz have both spent their careers working to improve and strengthen the quality of life in their town.

A graduate of Canisius College and the current Director of Corporate Relations for Mainstream Funding Systems, Mr. Wojtowicz is a former Town Councilman and has lifelong experience in service to the Williamsville area. Mrs. Wojtowicz is a graduate of Bryant & Stratton College and is Executive Secretary to the Chief Executive Officer of Mainstream Funding Systems. Through her involvement in many community organizations and her volunteer work, Mrs. Wojtowicz has shown she is equally devoted to our community.

Mr. and Mrs. Wojtowicz currently serve on the Buffalo-Niagara Heritage Village Board of Trustees. As members of the Board of Trustees, they strive to preserve the history and cultural heritage of the Buffalo Niagara Region.

As members of the Amherst Symphony Orchestra Board, Mr. and Mrs. Wojtowicz are avid supporters of the arts. Mr. Wojtowicz is a musician himself, playing drums professionally with many western New York bands, and Mrs. Wojtowicz's appreciation for the arts is apparent through her volunteer work with the Amherst Symphony Orchestra. Arts in the western New York area are fueled by the support of community members like the Wojtowiczs.

Mr. and Mrs. Wojtowicz have further dedicated themselves to the Williamsville community through their service to the youth community. Mrs. Wojtowicz serves currently as the vice president of the Amherst Youth Foundation Board, and Mr. Wojtowicz is the Foundation's current secretary. While serving as Town Councilman, Mr. Wojtowicz was the board's liaison to the Recreation Department, the Youth Board, the Library, and the Government Studies Committee. He also served as a consultant to Junior Achievement, helping young people develop the skills to succeed in today's economy. Through their service, Mr. and Mrs. Wojtowicz have shown a commitment to helping future generations of Williamsville residents.

As is exemplified by previous recognition they have earned, the Wojtowiczs are valued members of their community. In appreciation for her work with Rotary International, Mrs. Wojtowicz was awarded the "Unsung Hero" award. For his generosity and care, Mr. Wojtowicz has been honored by Rotary International with the "Rotarian of the Year" award, "Service Above Self Award," and many "Paul Harris" recognition awards. Mr. Wojtowicz also received the "Businessman of the Year" award from the General Pulaski Association of Western New York.

Dedicated to bettering the Amherst-Williamsville area, the Wojtowicz's contributions to the arts, youth engagement, and local business have left a lasting impact. Our community is indebted to Richard and Diane Wojtowicz for their exemplary and selfless actions. I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Mr. and Mrs. Wojtowicz for everything they have done over the years to better the lives of their fellow Williamsville residents.

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HONORING ARMY SERGEANT  
DARBY MORIN

**HON. TOM EMMER**

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, May 11, 2022*

Mr. EMMER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and legacy of Army Sergeant